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Kim Adams, Esq. 1920 Technology Parkway Mechanicsburg, PA 17050 Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Re: Lopez et al. v. Wetzel et al., 21-CV-1819 (M.D. Pa.)

**Esteemed Counselor:** 

Yesterday, Sept. 11, 2023, I received your recent letter (dated Aug. 30) seeking responses to your interrogatories and requests for production of documents.

I have indeed received your documents and am, in good faith, doing my best to respond to them. Many of your interrogatories and requests would be best addressed once I obtain certain medical and mental health records from the custodians at SCI Phoenix. Some of the initial resistance we encountered in this endeavor seems to be abating somewhat. Work on that continues.

By way of further explanation, it has been a little harder of late gaining access to the busy word-processing desktop on the CCU. Additionally, I am at a critical part of the post-conviction proceedings in my capital case and have been working hard to bring two new appointed attorneys up to speed. I *may* need to move the federal court here to extend the discovery deadlines.

Thank you for your patience in dealing with severely mentally disordered, indigent pro se litigants. Had the defendants not held me for so long in mind-obliterating solitary confinement, I would perhaps be more competent to handle this case on par with highly educated and experienced attorneys, such as yourself and those in your office.

And I can't help but respectfully observe that, had you not so firmly opposed our request for appointment of counsel, I might have professional help at this sensitive juncture, and my responses would be complete by now. As it stands, we continue to seek counsel on our own.

In any event, I remain committed to persevering and prosecuting this important case.

Truly Yours,

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## IN THE

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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George Lopez et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

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(Hon. Karolina Mehalchick, M.J.)

(Hon. Christopher C. Conner, D.J.)

John Wetzel et al.,

Defendants.

§ 1983 Civil Action

No. 21-CV-1819

### **Letter to Opposing Counsel**

#### TO THE CLERK:

Please place this letter to opposing counsel (re: discovery requests) on the docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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